United States Environmental Protection Agency **Criminal Investigation Division Investigative Activity Report**

Case Number

0606-0015

Case Title:

CES Environmental Services

Reporting Office:

Houston, TX Resident Office

Subject of Report:

Surveillance conducted on 02/11/2009

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SYNOPSIS

02/11/2009 - Regional Criminal Enforcement Officer (b) (6), (b) (7) and SA (b) (6), (b) (7) counducted surveilance on February 11, 2009 from 8:30am to 1:00pm. Photos were taken with a digital camera.

DETAILS

On 02/11/09 Regional Criminal Enforcement Officer (RCEO) (b) (6), (b) (7) and SA (b) (6), (b) (7) conducted surveillance on CES Environmental Services (CES) located in Harris County at 4904 Griggs Road, Houston TX 77021. During surveillance photos were taken with a digital camera.

On the east side of CES is Grace Lane, a dead end street that runs the length of CES and provides partial observation of a CES. The partial observation is due to houses and a fence that the houses share with CES. A large metal building was observed with tanker trucks parked inside the building.

To the south of the metal building there was a large stack of totes. The totes were stacked along the fence and were stacked three high.

On the west side of CES is Calhoun Street. On Calhoun Street I observed a children school named Beatrice Mays Institute located at 5807 Calhoun Street. From my location on Calhoun Street it was observed that the children school and CES share the same fence located on the south side of the children school.

From Calhoun Street I observed stacks of totes along the fence. South of

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the totes we observed tanker trailers parked perpendicular to the fence with the tanker rear facing us. The one tanker displayed the letters LT-688 with words Southern Tank Solutions. Another tanker displayed the word DANA, another tanker displayed LT 1104 and another tanker displayed L 0932.

We observed elevated trailer with a cat walk that was located at the southwest corner of CES's property. Approximately thirty feet northeast of the elevated trailer there were approximately nine tanks of similar size that shared piping with approximately twelve tanks of similar size.

On the southern boundary is Kingsbury Lane that turns south and becomes Wayland Street. From this location most observations were very limited due to houses. An empty lot was observed at 4621 Kingsbury Lane. We observed a ditch that ran from CES property through the empty lot and onto Kingsbury Lane. During foot surveillance in this area we observed what appeared to be some type of white substance that had been deposited on each side of the ditch. The white substance was only observed on the empty lot near the CES fence. We could see water in the ditch from the empty lot under the CES fence onto the CES property until we lost visual due to thick brush and the fence line.

The north side of CES is Griggs Road. The business office can be seen from the Griggs Road but the high fence and gated entries are set about 50 to 75 feet back from the road that observation into the CES is very limited.

We observed an 18 wheeler tanker truck depart CES at 10:45am. There were no placards displayed. The cab displayed the words Reds Place, Sealy TX.

At 11:01am we observed an 18 wheeler tanker truck bearing placard number 1993 flammable 3 leaving the CES facility. The cab displayed Alamo Environmental Petroleum Exchange, San Antonio TX. The tanker drove east on Griggs Road and entered a concrete plant and drove onto what appeared to be truck weight scales located at the concrete plant. The truck then departed the concrete plant and re-entered CES. There was a driver and a passenger. The driver could not be observed due to reflective windshield, but the passenger was a white male approximately 25 to 35 years of age wearing a white shirt.

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At 11:29am a truck that met the same description described above leaving CES at 11:01am exited CES. The passenger matched the description of the passenger described above. This tanker truck appeared to have the same placard of 1993 flammable 3, a cab that displayed Alamo Environmental Petroleum Exchange, San Antonio, TX written on the side of the cab. The trailers license plate was TX 86872Y and the cab license plate was TX 2AF529. The trailer was labeled as trailer number 5060T.

The above vehicle leaving at 11:01am was consistent in all descriptions with the vehicle leaving at 11:29am. The only exception noted was that the vehicle leaving at 11:29am appeared to have been washed. The vehicle went to Interstate 610 and entered Westbound/Northbound. The vehicle exited onto US Highway 290 and travelled seven miles east of Waller. The vehicle exited and entered a truck stop on the westbound service road. The vehicle parked between the truck parking lot and the fuel pumps. The vehicle was approximately twenty feet from the fuel pumps, where it remained parked during conclusion of surveillance.

Surveillance ended at 1:00pm.

ATTACHMENT

CES pictures 021109

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